

## **Information About KanCare Provider Payment Reductions**

\*\*Update on meetings originally scheduled for August 22-26\*\*

The meetings in Overland Park, Topeka, Wichita, Pittsburg and Dodge City WILL NOT BE HELD.

We regret to tell you that the meetings originally scheduled across the state from August 22 to August 26 will NOT take place. Instead we are using this letter to tell KanCare members more about the provider payment rate reductions and we are asking for your feedback if you would like to let us know you thoughts on this matter.

As we told you, Kansas is in the process of implementing several required budget reductions. These include a 4 percent reduction in payments to **SOME** KanCare (Medicaid) providers. These reductions are the steps we must take due to a tight state budget. We are doing everything possible to sustain care and services to consumers.

In order to ease the effects of this reduction, payment rates for many providers will **NOT** be reduced. Our goal is to protect the availability of the many services people must have to be able to continue to live in their communities and stay healthy. There will be no change in payments for these services. Payments will **NOT** be reduced to:

- Critical Access Hospitals (Inpatient and Outpatient Services Only)
- Rural, Densely-Settled Rural and Frontier Hospitals as Defined by the US Census Bureau (Inpatient and Outpatient Services Only)
- Home and Community-Based Services providers
- Rural Health Clinics, Encounter Rate
- Federally Qualified Health Centers, Encounter Rate

- Electronic Health Record (EHR) Payments
- Fee-for-Service Pharmacy Claims
- Hospice Services
- WORK Program
- MFP Services
- State Hospitals (Kansas Neurological Institute, Larned, Parsons and Osawatomie)
- Indian Health Services

If you want to learn more about these payment reductions, please visit <a href="www.KanCare.ks.gov">www.KanCare.ks.gov</a>. If you want to provide feedback about these reductions, please send an email to <a href="mailto:KanCareReductions@kdheks.gov">KanCareReductions@kdheks.gov</a>.

These payment reductions are being implemented by the three KanCare Managed Care Organizations (MCOs). If you have questions about how to access a service you need, or want help to access a service you need, please contact your MCO's customer service:

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